

St. Luke School Council Minutes

Date	April 9, 2018
Attendance	Kristy Rice, Fiona Nyuli, Shannon Blyth ,Kyla Norris, Dave Norris, Mat Weight, Andrea Marson, Jennifer Blom, Brenda Watmough, Erica Odiobala, Aoife Cahill
Guests	Michelle Szott - EICS Board Vice Chair/Trustee designate for St. Luke
General Business	
Start Time	6:37 p.m.
Approval of Agenda	Shannon Blyth
Committee Reports	None
New Business	
EICS Board Highlights <i>Michelle Szott</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EICS Board consists of 7 trustees (4 trustees for Strathcona/Sherwood Park, 1 trustee for Fort Saskatchewan, 1 for Camrose, and 1 for Vegreville) • The Board meets once a month at the Central Learning Services building and meetings are open to the public. Next meeting is April 18, 2018 @ 2:30 p.m. • You can visit www.eics.ab.ca/trustees for information or to contact trustees • Highlights from our March 21, 2018 meeting are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Sherwood Park Reconfiguration</i> – different factors were taken into consideration along with community feedback in making our decision. Based on all the analysis the Board chose Option 5. The decision does not impact St. Luke • <i>Assurance Plan</i> – The College of Alberta School Superintendents magazine this month is in regards to Assurance and can be found at https://www.smores.com/h6457 • <i>School Site Allocations</i> – new Catholic high school in Fort Saskatchewan St. Andre Bissette will be opening in September. EPK (Ecole Pere Kenneth Kearns) school will undergo modernization • <i>Connections Project</i> - Dr. Jody Carrington will be presenting 'Power of Relationships' a free parent information session on April 27 in Sherwood Park from 7-9 p.m. She is a wonderful presenter, I would encourage everyone to attend http://strathcona.ca/jcarrington
Important Upcoming Dates <i>Aoife Cahill</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Track and Field</i> – Friday May 4, 2018 grades 3-8 will be going to Strathcona Athletic Park, parent volunteers are needed. Grades 1-2 will be having their own track and field day at the school (<i>date to be determined</i>) • <i>Strawberry Tea</i> – All families are welcome to come together on Thursday May 17, 2018 from 2-3 p.m. in the school cafeteria to enjoy each others company, have some tea, and listen to the choir perform. Volunteers will also be honored at this event
Old Business	
School Highway Sign <i>Shannon Blyth</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sample signs were reviewed and discussed, exact wording and graphics on the sign are still to be determined • The sign will be 4'x8' reflective and will be visible to East and West bound traffic along highway 14

School Report

School Report Aoife Cahill

- *Registration for 2018-2019* – We now have 21 students registered for kindergarten, I believe the Open House played a factor in the number of registrations
- *Apples* – We found a great deal on apples from H&W Produce, we will continue to pull money from our Apple School funding
- *2018-2019 School Photos* – Lifetouch will be at the school on May 15 to do individual and sibling photos for anyone interested. We have a number of new students at our school that we need pictures of for the yearbook
- *Communication between school and home* – As a staff we met and discussed feedback from the Assurance survey with regards to communication. We strive to effectively communicate with our families and have decided to narrow down what type of medium we use to communicate which type of information. We will continue to use School Messenger for our weekly memo, as well as attach a monthly calendar to the memo. Class Dojo will be used for school wide and individual class notifications of upcoming events at the school. Facebook will be used to share pictures and videos of events that have taken place.
Upon further discussion regarding communication School Council will be sending out a form for families to sign up to receive an email copy of the monthly School Council and Parents Association minutes. Minutes are also available on the school's website
<https://stl.eics.ab.ca/parents/school-council>
Michelle Szott also suggested School Council can contact ASCA (Alberta School Councils Association) for any questions or information regarding communication
- *Vision Statement* – As a staff we continue to work on the visioning process. I would like to create a committee of staff members and parents to work on creating a vision statement for our school
- *4 x 4* – St. Luke has been assigned a new consultant Darlene to help inform and guide parents through the 4x4 process. Darlene is running a successful 4x4 north of St. Albert. We will arrange a meeting with Darlene near the end of April. This meeting will be open to all St. Luke families. I will contact the eight people that have signed up to help and invite them to attend the meeting
- *Social Justice Project for The George Spady Center* – The George Spady Center is located in downtown Edmonton and supports individuals with substance related disorders. We would like to make brown bag lunches for the people that use the center. We will have students decorate the brown lunch bags and write out notes of encouragement that will be placed in the bag with the lunch. To raise money for this we will use proceeds from the Plant Sale concession (*Approved by all*) and have a 'Break the Rules' day at the school. Students will bring in money to do things that normally aren't allowed, for example \$2 to chew gum in class or wear a hat

Adjournment

Next Meeting

Monday May 7, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment

Adjourned by Shannon Blyth Time 8:53 p.m.

